

NOTICE CALLING FOR BIDS FOR FRANCHISE

Notice is hereby given that it is the intention of the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance to issue a forty year franchise to the Torrance Window Glass Company for the use of a proportion of Border Street in the City of Torrance for the purposes mentioned in said company's application for franchise now on file with the City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Sealed bids for the purchase of such a franchise are hereby invited to be filed with the City Clerk of the City of Torrance prior to the hour of 8 o'clock P. M., January 15, 1924, and the same must be accompanied by a

certified check for One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) as a fund out of which to pay the costs of issuing said franchise; and a certified check for Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) as an evidence of good faith, which \$500.00 will be returned to the franchise holder when the structures to be built under said franchise are completed. Checks of all unsuccessful bidders will be returned immediately.

The Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance reserves the right to refuse to grant such franchise to all bidders.

Dated, Torrance, California, January 2, 1924.
A. H. BARTLETT,
City Clerk.

FOUR FINE FILMS TO SHOW AT TORRANCE THEATRE NEXT WEEK

An original motion picture story by the English novelist, Elinor Glynn, famous for her novel "Three Weeks," is coming to the Torrance theatre next Sunday and Monday. It is called "Six Days," and has been picture by Goldwyn under the direction of Charles Brabin, who made "Driven," one of last season's biggest successes. Mr. Brabin is said to have surpassed his own previous excellent direction in "Six Days."

"Six Days" tells the story of Laline Kingston, whose mother, left penniless by the business failure and suicide of her husband, schemes to marry Laline to Sir Charles Chetwyn, of an old and wealthy English family. While in Paris Laline meets and falls in love with Dion Leslie, son of a famous actress. Dion is in reality Sir Charles' son, his mother having left Sir Charles shortly after the boy's birth. After visiting the grave of her brother on one of the battlefields of France Laline and Dion, accompanied by a priest as a guide, are trapped in one of the old German dugouts. Unable to make their escape, and facing death through the exhaustion of air in six days, Laline and Dion are married by the priest just before his death. In a last frantic effort to escape Dion and Laline fall into a chalk mine underneath the dugout, become separated, and each is finally rescued. Laline's mother takes her back to England and, by threatening to kill herself unless Laline consents to marry Sir Charles, forces her into a second marriage. Later Dion, recovered in body and mind, goes to claim Laline.

Harry Carey Coming

Thoroughness of detail which mark the work of Bert Sproutte, character actor of the screen, who will be seen next Tuesday at the Torrance theatre in Harry Carey's latest, "The Miracle Baby," finds a parallel in a past profession of Sproutte's. He studied dentistry for two years—and then practiced it only one year. Sproutte tells of this experience naively enough, but the argument of many dental students of today would be "Who wants to fill the brimming cup twice before he is able to get a sip?" Indispensable as Sproutte is to the screen, there are undoubtedly hundreds of victims of

half-baked graduates of "dental colleges" who would wish that there were more Sprouttes in the tooth-pulling dens.

Anna Q. Nilsson

Several motion picture producers, discussing "Ponjola," Cynthia Stockley's famous story, after it had been announced that Sam E. Rork had purchased the story for the films, declared that the picture could never be made because no actress in films could successfully make up as a man.

But it turned out that they were all wrong. There was an actress that could make up as a man and pass as such. This was Anna Q. Nilsson, who plays the leading feminine role in "Ponjola," the first National picture which comes next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday to the Torrance theatre.

In this first National picture Miss Nilsson enacts the part of a girl who masquerades as a man and lives for months among the "he-men" of the African veldt.

In order to play the role Miss Nilsson had her hair closely cropped and underwent special treatment at the hands of an expert masseuse to obtain a form apparently masculine. In men's clothes the illusion is perfect and one watching that part of the picture in which she is a "man" will forget almost entirely that the character of "Desmond" is being portrayed by Miss Nilsson.

"Salomy Jane"

Some of the most talented and widely known players on the screen appear in Paramount's new picture, "Salomy Jane," a George Melford production based on the famous story by Bret Harte, which will be the feature at the Torrance theatre for Saturday, Jan. 19.

Jacqueline Logan, a former Follies girl, plays the name role. Her love of the great out-of-doors particularly adapted her for this photoplay of pioneer life in California in the days of '49. Many human touches of quaint humor are woven into the fabric of this romantic screen play by George Fawcett, who plays the role of "Yuba Bill," a stage-coach driver.



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Believe in Giving Transportation Act A Complete Trial

Directors of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce believe that the United States government should not meddle with the Transportation act of 1920.

A resolution passed by the directors follows:

"Whereas, there appears to be a movement to amend in various ways the Transportation law of 1920, and

"Whereas, congress, after months of careful study enacted this law for the regulation of the railroads, which for two years had been operated by the federal government at a loss of a billion eight hundred million dollars; and

"Whereas, the railroads apparently have acted in good faith in operating their properties under said Transportation law, this statement being borne out by the fact that they now are hauling more freight with less delay than ever before, thus giving the public the service to which it is entitled; therefore, be it

"Resolved, by the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce of Torrance, California, that it is the sense of this body that said Transportation law remain in force without change for a period of time necessary for the people and the railroads to give it a thorough trial to determine whether by its provisions the country can make the best progress through continued improvement in its transportation facilities; and be it further

"Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to Hon. Hiram Johnson and Hon. S. Shortridge, United States senators from California, and to Hon. J. D. Federick, representative from the Tenth district, and that they be requested to carry out the views expressed therein; also that copies be given to The Torrance Herald for publication."

IRONTON HOTEL

Recent arrivals at the Ironton are A. A. Horner, Portland, Ore.; A. A. Louper, Long Beach; Albert Martin, Talpa, Tex.; L. M. Puffer, San Luis Obispo; Ted Klug, Long Beach; Farley DeWitt, M. Nisewander, Jack Daugherty, Los Angeles.

LOMITA NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Adams of Rose and Cypress streets were Sunday guests of friends in Glendale.

Mr. and Mrs. John Waite and family and Alec McPhall were San Pedro visitors Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Link attended the Christian Science church in San Pedro Sunday.

H. R. Stone of San Pedro and F. D. Eyster returned from Marino Dam last week with the limit of ducks.

Owen McDonald, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. McDonald of Narbonne avenue, is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Gilbert spent Sunday at Sierra Madre with the former's mother and sister.

Mrs. Charles Monroe was a guest Monday of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Salisbury, of Los Angeles.

TORRANCE Newslets

Mrs. Ida Bodley of Arlington avenue is the guest for a few days of friends in Wilmington and Long Beach.

Mrs. J. H. Fess and sons, of Arlington avenue, were luncheon guests Friday of Mrs. Philo Moses of Los Angeles.

Geraldine, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Bradford of Cabrillo avenue, is recovering from a recent serious illness.

GIVES WAFFLE PARTY

Mrs. Harry Bales of Carson street entertained recently at a "waffle party." The guests included the two Mesdames McMasters, Mrs. William Neff, Mrs. Charles Benson, Mrs. W. W. Gilbert, Mrs. Lawrence Crowell, and a house guest, Miss Elizabeth Lavender, of South Bend, Ore.

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